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2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An electrical device comprising a mounting yoke for mounting said electrical device into an outlet box wherein said yoke comprises:  
a slotted mounting hole for receiving a mounting screw;  
first ear that extends from a first end of said yoke;  
second ear that extends from a second end of said yoke; and  
a channel leading into said slotted mounting hole through which said mounting screw ~~is~~ may be inserted passed into said mounting hole; ~~and~~  
said yoke is configured so that the surface of the yoke surrounding the perimeter of said slotted mounting hole lies in substantially the same plane.
3. (ORIGINAL) The electrical device of claim 2 wherein said mounting screw comprises an elongated post, a head positioned at one end of the elongated post and support rim positioned along the elongated post at a predetermined distance from said head and in a plane that is substantially parallel to the plane in which said head lies.
4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An electrical device comprising a mounting yoke for mounting said electrical device into an outlet box wherein said yoke comprises:  
a slotted mounting hole for receiving a mounting screw;  
first ear that extends from a first end of said yoke;  
second ear that extends from a second end of said yoke; and

a channel leading into said slotted mounting hole through which said mounting screw is may be inserted passed into said mounting hole; and ~~The electrical device of claim 3 wherein~~ said channel extends from an outer edge of said yoke into said slotted mounting hole.

5. (ORIGINAL) The electrical device of claim 2 wherein said channel is positioned so as to open into said slotted mounting hole.
6. (ORIGINAL) The electrical device of claim 2 wherein said channel comprises a substantially enclosed opening.
7. (ORIGINAL) The electrical device of claim 4 wherein said channel comprises two walls that are substantially parallel to each other.
8. (ORIGINAL) The electrical device of claim 4 wherein said channel comprises two walls that converge inward from an outer edge of said mounting yoke into said slotted mounting hole.
9. (ORIGINAL) The electrical device of claim 6 wherein said channel is generally circular in shape.
10. (ORIGINAL) The electrical device of claim 9 wherein said channel is configured so as to be large enough to accommodate the head of said mounting screw.
11. (ORIGINAL) The electrical device of claim 2 wherein said electrical device comprises a receptacle.
12. (ORIGINAL) The electrical device of claim 2 wherein said electrical device comprises a switch.
13. (CANCELLED)

14. (CANCELLED)

15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An electrical device comprising:

a mounting yoke for mounting said electrical device into an outlet box;

said mounting yoke comprises:

first ear that extends from a first end of said yoke;

second ear that extends from a second end of said yoke;

slotted mounting hole for receiving a mounting screw; ~~and~~

score line delineating a portion of the yoke that can be removed to form a

channel that extends from an outer edge of said yoke and opens into said

slotted mounting hole; and

when said portion is removed, said channel is configured to receive a

mounting screw and allow it to be passed into said slotted mounting hole

~~channel configured to open into said slotted mounting hole for inserting~~

~~said mounting screw into said slotted mounting hole.~~

16. (ORIGINAL) The electrical device of claim 15 further comprising an electrical receptacle.

17. (CANCELLED)

18. (ORIGINAL) The electrical device of claim ~~17~~ 15 further comprising an electrical switch.

19. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An electrical device comprising:
- mounting yoke for mounting said electrical device into an outlet box;
  - mounting screw for mounting said device into an outlet box;
  - said mounting screw comprises:
    - elongated post connected at one end to a head;
    - support rim positioned at a predetermined point along said elongated post and in a plane substantially parallel to the plane in which said head lies;
  - said mounting yoke comprises:
    - first ear that extends from a first end of said yoke;
    - second ear that extends from a second end of said yoke;
    - slotted mounting hole for receiving said mounting screw; and
    - channel configured to open into said slotted mounting hole to allow a mounting screw to be passed into said slotted mounting hole.
20. (ORIGINAL) The electrical device of claim 19 further comprising an electrical switch.